

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A stand mixer with control panel, the stand mixer comprising:
a mixer housing having an upper surface and a lower surface;
a motor within the mixer housing operably connected to a rotatable output shaft; and
a control panel on the mixer housing having a rotary dial adjustable by the user for controlling the motor; ~~and a power button actuable by a user for starting the motor located in the center of the rotary dial.~~
a rotatable illuminator connected to the rotary dial for movement with the dial.

Claim 2 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 1 further comprising a speed indicator having a plurality of speed locations.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): The stand mixer of claim 2 wherein the speed indicator includes a lens at the plurality of speed indicia adjacent the rotary dial.

Claim 4 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 2 wherein the speed indicator is positioned radially from an axis of rotation of the rotary dial.

Claim 5 (Currently amended): The stand mixer of claim 2 ~~further comprising an illuminator~~ wherein movement of the rotary dial causes the illuminator to be selectively positioned beneath one of the plurality of speed locations.

Claim 6 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 5 wherein the illuminator is a light emitting diode.

Claim 7 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 5 further comprising a pivotal arm attached to the rotary dial and supporting the illuminator, the pivotal arm moveably positioned beneath the plurality of speed locations.

Claim 8 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 5 wherein a shroud aligns with the illuminator for controlling direction of light from the illuminator.

Claim 9 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 3 wherein the lenses at the plurality of speed locations are joined by a web, the web being sufficiently thin to minimize light travel between the lens.

Claim 10 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 1 further comprising an indicator light for displaying readiness.

Claim 11 (Original): The stand mixer of claim 1 wherein the control panel is positioned on the upper surface of the mixer housing.

Claim 12 (Currently amended): A method of controlling operation of a stand mixer, the method comprising:
adjusting a rotary dial to select a motor speed; ~~and~~
rotating an illuminator with the rotary dial to indicate a motor speed; and
~~actuating a power button located at the center of the rotary dial for starting a motor on the stand~~
mixer.

Claim 13 (Currently amended): The method of claim 12 further comprising lighting one of a plurality of lights located on an upper surface of the stand mixer with the illuminator to indicate the motor speed.

Claim 14 (Original): The method of claim 12 further comprising illuminating a light to indicate the operational mode of the stand mixer.

Claim 15 (Original): The method of claim 12 further comprising rotating the rotary dial from an off position for bringing the motor on the stand mixer to a standby mode.

Claim 16 (Original): The method of claim 12 further comprising actuating a power button for stopping the motor on the stand mixer thereby placing the stand mixer in a standby mode.

Claim 17 (Original): The method of claim 12 further comprising rotating the rotary dial to an off position thereby bringing the stand mixer to an off mode.

Claims 18-26 (Cancelled).